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Excellency,

The Secretary-General would be grateful if you could kindly forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Mr. Mwai Kibaki, President of the Republic of Kenya.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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KIM Won-soo

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General
and Deputy Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Mr. Macharia Kamau
Permanent Representative of the
Republic of Kenya to the United Nations
New York

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

28 December 2011

Excellency,

I was very pleased to meet with you in Nairobi recently and I am grateful for your hospitality and the assistance your Government extended to me during my visit to Kenya, including to the Dadaab refugee camp.

The visit to your country and Somalia was successful and highly productive. I appreciated the opportunity to interact with the Somali refugees in the Dadaab refugee camp and to see first-hand the work of the United Nations staff and other relief workers. Following my trip, I briefed the United Nations Security Council and appealed to Member States and relevant international stakeholders to step up their support to improve the humanitarian situation in Somalia. I also appealed to them to make every effort to ensure that the African Union Mission in Somalia, as well as the Somali security forces, are strengthened.

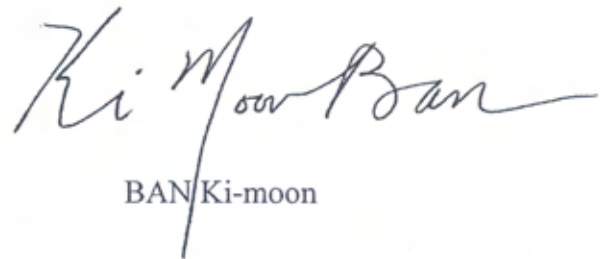
As we discussed, I count on your Government's continued and generous support to those refugees crossing the border from Somalia into Kenya. Whilst recognizing the enormous burden this must place on your Government and on host communities in Kenya, I urge you to continue to take measures to protect and respect the rights of the refugees. I also count on your full support to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the relief workers tasked with helping refugees in Kenya.

I believe that no military effort can fully resolve the root causes of the crisis in Somalia. I urge you to make every effort to ensure that the military strategy of the Kenyan-led allied forces in southern Somalia is fully aligned with political objectives in Somalia, in line with the transition Road Map.

His Excellency
Mr. Mwai Kibaki
President of the Republic of Kenya
Nairobi

In this regard, I look forward to the outcome of the African Union consultations, including on the possible option of re-hatting the Kenyan defence forces into AMISOM. Following the African Union Peace and Security Council decision, I intend to submit proposals to the United Nations Security Council with regard to the United Nations logistic support package.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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BAN Ki-moon



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

28 December 2011

Dear Ms. Zewde,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to you and your team for the extraordinary professionalism and dedicated efforts during my recent visit to Nairobi and Somalia on 8 and 9 December 2011.

The visit was successful and highly productive due in no small part to your close working relationship with the Kenyan authorities, which also helped to ensure that the programme ran smoothly and that all the logistical arrangements were in place.

I would be grateful if you could please convey my profound appreciation to all the United Nations colleagues on the ground that were instrumental in the organization of my visit, in particular Mr. Peter Marshall and the very efficient coordination group you established which ensured that my visit ran without a glitch from beginning to end. Your efforts and the work of your team are a testament to their dedication and high professionalism to the work of the Organization.

Please accept my best wishes for the important work carried out by you and your team at the United Nations Office at Nairobi.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'Ki Moon Ban', is written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the text 'BAN/Ki-moon' is printed.

BAN/Ki-moon

Ms. Sahle-Work Zewde
Director-General
United Nations Office at Nairobi
Nairobi



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

28 December 2011

Dear Mr. Chuma,

I would like to thank you and your team for your dedicated efforts in serving the Kenyan population and Somalis living in Kenya and for your assistance during my recent visit to Kenya.

The trip was successful and highly productive. The visit to Dabaab refugee camp was enlightening. I appreciated the opportunity to interact with the Somali refugees and to see first-hand the work of the United Nations staff and other relief workers. I will continue to urge the Somali and relevant international stakeholders to step up their support to improve the humanitarian situation in Somalia.

I would be grateful if you could convey my appreciation to all United Nations Country Team colleagues on the ground, who continue to work under difficult circumstances.

Please accept my best wishes for the important work carried out by you and your team in Kenya.

Yours sincerely,

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BAN/Ki-moon

Mr. Aenas Chuma
Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Kenya
Nairobi



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

28 December 2011

Dear Mr. Bartsch,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to you and your team for the extraordinary professionalism and dedicated efforts during my recent visit to Dadaab on 9 December 2011.

I am conscious that this mission proved to be particularly challenging and extremely difficult at all levels of its preparation. The visit was successful and highly productive due in no small part to you and your team's hard work, which also helped to ensure that the programme ran smoothly and that all the logistical arrangements were in place.

It was a pleasure for me to also meet with the leadership and the United Nations staff serving in Dadaab. I appreciated the opportunity to interact with them and to see their dedication towards the work of the Organization.

Please accept my best wishes for the important work carried out by you and your team at UNHCR Dadaab.

Yours sincerely,

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BAN/Ki-moon

Mr. Dominik Bartsch
UNHCR Head of Operations Dadaab
UN Area Security Coordinator
Dadaab



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

28 December 2011

Dear Mr. Pascoe,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to you and your team for the extraordinary professionalism and dedicated efforts during my recent visit to Nairobi and Somalia on 8 and 9 December 2011.

I am conscious that this mission proved to be particularly challenging and extremely difficult at all levels of its preparation. The visit was successful and highly productive due in no small part to you and your team's hard work and close working relationship with the Kenyan authorities, which also helped to ensure that the program ran smoothly and that all the logistical arrangements were in place.

I also wish to take this opportunity to particularly convey my gratitude and my special thanks to Ms. Roselyn Akombe, who I know was instrumental in ensuring that an excellent programme would be in place for my visit. Her efforts are a testament to her dedication and high professionalism.

Please accept my best wishes for the important work carried out by you and your team at the Department of Political Affairs.

Yours sincerely,

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BAN/Ki-moon

Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe
Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs
Department of Political Affairs
New York

SG's trip

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**Secretary-General's thank you letters re visit to Kenya, Somalia & Qatar
(9 to 12 December 2011)**

Kenya

1. His Excellency Mwai Kibaki, President of the Republic of Kenya
2. Ms. Sahle-Work Zewde, Director-General, United Nations Office at Nairobi
3. Mr. Aenas Chuma, Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Kenya
4. Mr. Dominik Bartsch, UNHCR Head of Operations Dadaab, UN Area Security Coordinator
5. Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, Department of Political Affairs

Somalia

6. His Excellency Sheikh Sharif Sheikh Ahmed, President of the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia
7. Mr. Augustine Mahiga, Special Representative for Somalia, United Nations Political Office for Somalia
8. Mr. Mark Bowden, Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Somalia

Qatar

9. His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar
10. Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser al Missned, Chairperson of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development
11. His Excellency Mr. José Luis Rodríguez Zapatero, President of the Government of Spain
12. His Excellency Mr. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey
13. His Excellency Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly
14. His Excellency Mr. Jorge Sampaio, High Representative for the UN Alliance of Civilization

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